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BAPTISMS. MARRIAGES. BURIALS.

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Data for Search.

It may be concluded from events recorded in "Family Notes," that the field for search is probably limited to :
London; Herefordshire; Shropshire.

†Registers and publications already searched.

- Baptism. QUIENCHANT, MADAME, before 1685, in France.
- Baptism. QUIENCHANT, JEAN JENVRE, before 1685, in France.
(Naturalisation papers might afford information).
- Burial. QUIENCHANT, MADAME, after 1685, in England.
- Baptism. SCOTT, ELIZABETH; d. of Benjamin Scott, Esq., of Eltham, Kent; m. Captain Jean Jenvre Quienchant, 13th Foot, 31 Oct. 1724; buried, 30 Dec. 1775. Age 82.
†Eltham, 1692-4; Greenwich, 1693-8.
- Baptism. QUINCHANT, JOHN; s. of Captain J. J. & E. Quinchant; Ensign, 13th Foot, 10 May 1742; buried, 12 June 1789, age not stated.
†St. Bene't, and St. Peter, London, E.C., 1724-7; St. Anne, Soho, 1725.
- Baptism. LLOYD, JOHN; s. of Foulke Lloyd, Esq., of Foxhall, Denbighshire, and Aston Hall, Salop; m. Emma, d. of Sir Francis Charlton, Bart., 19 Feb. 1739; buried, 28 Sept. 1740.
- Baptism. JENKINS, RICHARD (17 Sept. 1709?); m. Emma, relict of John Lloyd, Esq., 15 Oct. 1741; buried 5 Feb. 1743, age not stated.
- Marriage. QUINCHANT, JOHN, Captain, and JENKINS (née Charlton) EMMA, 1745-8; 1st Foot Guards, 1745-9. †Guards' Records; Parish Registers: Chiswick, Fulham, Hammersmith, Onibury, Stokesay; F.L.'s. Brighton, Hereford, Shrewsbury; Shropshire P.R.S. Records, to 1914; Gentleman's Magazine, 1742-50.
- Baptisms (3). QUINCHANT, ELIZABETH; d. of Captain J. J. & E. Quinchant; m. I. Revd. — PARRY, a chaplain
- Marriage. at Calcutta, buried, 13 April 1769; II. Lieut.-Colonel RALPH WINWOOD, E.I.C.S., 2 July,
- Burials (2). 1770. They died in England about 1800.
†India Office, Westminster; Fulham, Hammersmith, 1796-1808.
- Baptism. QUINCHANT, JOHN CHARLTON; s. of Captain J. & E. Quinchant; "Born, May 4th 1749" (Park Hall Papers, x. 2) place not stated; buried, 14 Feb. 1832. Age 83.
- Baptism. FOWLER, JANE STUCKLEY; d. of Christopher Fowler, Esq., of Dean Street, Soho; buried 25 Jany. 1833. Age 72.
†Llanbister and Abbey Chapel, 1733-80, for the Fowlers of Abbey Cwmhir, Radnorshire; "Burke's Peerage," for Fowlers of Shrewsbury. "Complete Baronetage," for Fowlers of Harnage Grange, Salop. "The Dictionary of National Biography," only one Christopher Fowler (1610-78) found. St. Anne, Soho, 1756-62. Brighton, F.L.
- Baptism. PATESHALL, MARY; d. of Samuel Pateshall, Esq., of Easton, Herefordshire; buried, 1 May 1810. Age 56.
- Baptism. WILKINSON, MYRA KATHERINE; d. of John Wilkinson, Esq.; born in Ireland; died, 10 Oct. 1866. Age 82.
- Baptism. GARDNER, JOHN; buried 31 March 1801. Age 55.
- Baptism. ROCKE, RICHARD; buried, 30 Nov. 1907. Age 58.

Certificates Wanting.

Baptism. LANGLEY, JOHN, Revd.; m. M. E. Andrews (née Kinchant), 9 Aug. 1826; buried, 4 Aug. 1875. Age 85.
 Baptism. KINCHANT, MYRA ANN; buried, 7 Nov. 1837. Age 34. "The baptismal register for 1800-5 is missing from the records." (Archdeacon's Letter, Madras, 23 April 1914.)

Baptism. ELLIS, CHARLES JOHN ROBERT; m. M. A. Kinchant, 27 Aug. 1817; probably buried at Bruges, Belgium.

†India Office, Westminster; Somerset House.

Baptism. GIFFORD, ADOLPHUS FREDERIC DAUBENY; m. Myra Anne, relict of C. J. R. Ellis; probably married at Bruges, Belgium; he survived his wife who was buried, 7 Nov. 1837.
 Burial.

Baptism. PHAYRE, MARIA; d. of Richard Phayre, Esq., of Shrewsbury; buried, 26 Dec. 1885. Age 76.

Baptisms (2). KINCHANT, RICHARD; Indian Navy, at age of 15, 25 Oct. 1811; buried, 23 Jan. 1879. Age 82.

Marriage. LOWE, ANN MARIA PARKER; buried, 27 Jan. 1879. Age 78.

†Somerset House, July 1837-42.

Baptism. KINCHANT, JOHN CHARLTON; Indian Navy, at age of 14, 25 Oct. 1811; killed in action, 1816. Age not stated.

Baptisms (2). KINCHANT, J. G. MARTTIN, and JANE J. (Relationship not known.) They signed the register Marriage (?). at All Saints, Fulham, 17 April 1819, on the marriage of H. Andrews, Esq., and Miss M. E. Burials (2). Kinchant.

Baptisms (2). KINCHANT, ANN, and COOKE, JOHN, Asst. Surgeon, N.I.; m. 8 Jan. 1811, Madras. Burials (2).

SUMMARY.

BAPTISMS.			MARRIAGES.			BURIALS.		
39			19			39		
Certificates obtained	...	12	Certificates obtained	...	15	Certificates obtained	...	30
" wanting	...	27	" wanting	...	4	" wanting	...	9
		39			19			39

Baptisms are most difficult to trace—of the above "27" the Kinchants are wanting 11, and their relations 16.

Copies of any certificate obtained will be sent to holders of "Family Notes" for insertion. Information to this end will be greatly appreciated.

J. C. KINCHANT, Major-General,

c/o GRINDLAY & Co.,

54, Parliament Street, London, S.W. 1.

JULY, 1917.

QUINCHANT, 1189.

Extract from the Great Roll of the Pipe, 1 Richard I. (1189-1190):

Translation—The Honour of Petworth, Sussex.

"William Rufus renders account of £34 6s. 6d. of the Old Farm of the said Honour, for one year and a half x x x and there remains in debt £23 15s. 11d. upon the Churches and Knights and Free Tenants, to whom Joscelyn, the Queen's brother, gave lands or rents, that is to say, upon Albod 78s. for a year and a half, x x x, and upon Quinchant 4s. 6d. for the same term, x x x. But £32 8s. 6d. of the New Farm x x x, and there remains in debt £15 . . . Free Tenants to whom Joscelyn, the Queen's brother, gave lands or rents, that is to say, upon Albod 52s. this year x x x, and upon Quinchant 3s. x x x." (Public Record Office.)

"Sussex—Sr. Quinchant held land in the Honor de Pedewrda." (Hunter's—Great Roll of the Pipe, 1 Richard I., 1189.)

"Quinchant—possibly one of the followers to England of Joscelyn of Louvain, brother of Adeliza, second queen of Henry I. was evidently a tenant in the Honor de Pedewrda (Honour of Petworth, Sussex) and owed a small yearly rent of 3s. at the date of the roll, to the Crown. "Sr." super, means there was a charge upon him for rent. It is not considered likely that he settled in England, as no trace of his name has been found in subsequent documents." (Public Record Office.)

Note: x x x mean immaterial matter; . . . mean undecipherable matter.

Quinchean, probably a variant of Quinchant, 1364.

"1364 A.D. Alain de Quinchean m. Sibilla de Coëtivy en la Paroisse de Ploequin en Basse Bretagne." ("La Maison Royale de France," 9 Vols. folio.) Translation: 1364 A.D. Allen de Quinchean married Sibyl de Coëtivy, in the Parish of Ploequin, in Lower Brittany.



Sixty-five copies printed for private circulation only.



PARK HALL, OSWESTRY. *

The Old Mansion is decorated with mottoes, *e.g.*:—

"QUOD TIBI FIERI NON VIS, ALTERI NE FECERIS."
(Over porch to main entrance).

"MURUS AHENEUS, SANA CONSCIENTIA."
(Over main entrance).

"PEIRA ET OSTIUM, CHRISTUS EST."
(Over chapel door).

"ACCURATE COGITA, IMMUTABILIA."
(On grand staircase).

"NEC VI, NEC VENTO." "1640."
(Under clock—in dining room).

Since 1870—the Old Mansion has been completely restored, and extensive additions have been built—the stabling is second to none. Park Hall is one of the most picturesque seats in England.

* Lent by Messrs. Woodall, Minshall, Thomas & Co., Publishers, Oswestry.

INTRODUCTORY.

The object of these 'Notes' is to show the French Huguenot origin of the family; that Jean Jenvre Quienchant, having escaped from France to England, 1685, joined the British Army, 1706; married into the old family of the Scotts, 1724, and fell at Fontenoy, 1745; that his son, John Quinchant, joined his father's Company in the 13th Foot, 1742, and married into the powerful family of the Charltons, 174 .

To verify the genealogy of those members of the family, who for many years enjoyed a county residence in the estates of Park Hall, Whittington; and at Bishops Castle and Lydham, Shropshire; and Easton, Herefordshire; and of their collateral relations.

To correct some of the errors which have from time to time appeared in printed and written references to members of the family. (Appendix C.)

I desire to express my gratitude to many kindly helpers in the preparation of these 'Notes.'

The Park Hall Papers which have come into my hands are, for easy reference, thus divided:

(Park Hall Papers, x.) Those lent me in 1888. Sold at Sotheby's, July, 1891; bought by T. Slaney Eyton Esq., Walford Hall, Shrewsbury.

(Park Hall Papers, x. 1.) Those lent me in 1915 by Major Parker Leighton, Sweeney Hall, Oswestry.

(Park Hall Papers, x. 2.) Those given me in 1915 by the Revd. R. B. Caton, Great Fakenham Rectory, Norfolk.

Sources of information are duly acknowledged.

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Major-General.

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July, 1917.

PARK HALL.

Much has been written about the old mansion, particularly by the late Mr. Stanley Leighton, M.P., and published in the "Transactions of the Shropshire Archaeological Society," but for the purposes of these 'Notes' it is only necessary to refer to two items, (a) and (b), dealt with in the "Transactions," 2nd series, Vol. vii., Part 1, 1895.

(a) "An Inventory of the Goods and Chattels of Job Charlton late of Park in the County of Salop Esq. deceased taken and appraised the 2nd and 3rd days of April 1761." Unfortunately, as regards pictures and portraits, it is not an 'inventory,' for not a name or title is given, not one can be identified. The value set upon them was absurdly low: 194 in all were valued at £14 0s. 9d., or 132 pictures at £4 11s. 3d., and 62 portraits at £9 9s. 6d. Two only, half-length portraits, now remain in our family: one of Thomas Powell, who sold the Park estate to Sir Francis Charlton, Bart., in 1717, and one of his wife. They are pronounced by experts to be "extremely well painted, and certainly of the school of Sir Godfrey Kneller, about 1670." They are in deep and finely carved oval frames. They were cleaned, restored and varnished in 1912. A full length portrait of Emma Charlton, in a costume of red velvet, used to be in the portrait gallery at Park. These three portraits, and "Don Quixote" in needlework, became the property of Mrs. Kinchant, relict of R. H. Kinchant, Esquire. At the Park Hall sale in 1869, 35 lots of these pictures realised £77 6s. 0d., after the more valuable had been privately sold. The oak table in the entrance hall, a single plank, scored 1581, resting on eight massive carved legs, railed, measuring 21ft. by 4ft. by 2½in., valued at two guineas in 1761, sold for £63.

(b) "In 300 years Park has passed three times by purchase, and once by marriage, into the hands of four different families: The Powells, p. 1563; Charltons, p. 1717; Quinchant, m. 1761; Wynne-Corrie, p. 1870."

*Names changed, Quinchant to Kinchant, in 1783.

LINEAL CHART.

Madame Quienchant (p. 6.)

Jean Jenvre Quienchant (p. 7.)

=
E. Scott*

John Quinchant* (p. 8.)

Elizabeth Quinchant (p. 11.)

=
E. Charlton (1. J. Lloyd, 2. R. Jenkins)

=
1. — Parry
2. R. Winwood

John Charlton* (p. 12.)

Francis* (p. 13.)

Richard* (p. 15.)

Job (p. 15.)

Emma* (p. 17.)

Elizabeth* (p. 17.)

=
J. S. Fowler

=
M. Pateshall

=
M. R. Wilkinson

=
J. Gardner

=
R. Locke

Mary Emma (p.18.)

Francis Charlton (p.19.)

Myra Anne (p.20.)

Richard Henry (p.21.)

John Robert Nathaniel (p.23)

=
1. H. Andrews
2. J. Langley

(Appx. A.B.)

=
1. C. J. R. Ellis
2. A. F. D. Gifford

=
M. E. Caton

=
M. Phayre

The following names are omitted from the above chart, pending further information :

Commander Richard Kinchant, I.N. & wife (p. 21.)

Middy John Charlton Kinchant, I.N. (p. 26.)

J. G. Martin Kinchant, Esq. (p. 26.)

Jane J. Kinchant (p. 26.)

Asst. Surg. John Cooke, N.I. & wife (p. 26.)

QUIENCHANT

MADAME:

(The family legend is that: She with her infant son Jean Jenvre escaped from France, on the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes, 1685, and came over to England. Efforts have been made to trace their naturalisation papers, and her place of burial, but without success).

QUIENCHANT, JEAN JENVRE (16 -1745), Captain, a French Huguenot, who on the Revocation of the Edict of Nantes, 1685, escaped to England.

Military Service—39 years in the 13th Foot.

"Ensign, Earl of Barrymore's Regiment, 14th May, 1706.

Lieutenant, Stanhope Cotton's Regiment, 19th August, 1715.

Lieutenant-Captain, Stanhope Cotton's Regiment, 13th October, 1720.

Quarter-Master, Lord Mark Kerr's Regiment, 25th December, 1725.

Captain, Lord Mark Kerr's Regiment, 1st February, 1727.

Captain, Brigadier-Gen. H. Pulteney's Regiment, 5th April, 1739." (Public Record Office.)

Killed at Fontenoy, 30th April, 1745. (London Gazette, 11th May, 1745.)

E. SCOTT.

(Baptism—certificate wanting.)

She was the youngest daughter of Benjamin Scott, Esq., of Eltham, Kent; and related to the Scotts of Betton Strange—a very old Shropshire family, descended from Richard Scott, of Scots Hall, Kent, circa 1500. ("Dictionary of National Biography." "Revised Pedigree of the Scotts of Betton.")

J. J. QUIENCHANT and E. SCOTT.

"Marriage—St. Bene't, Paul's Wharf, in the City of London.

1724, October 31st. Jean Jenvre Quienchant, Bachelor, Esq., of St. Ann, Westminster, and Elizabeth Scott, Spinster, of Greenwich, Kent. By License. Mr. Otway."

Issue: John; Elizabeth.

"The marriages at St. Bene't were very numerous. People stayed in the parish to have them solemnized there. It was united with St. Nicholas, but at the union of benefices the Church was not pulled down, and was given for the use of the Welsh members of the congregation." (Rev. C. N. Kelly, Rector.)

"St. Bene't, Queen Victoria Street, is the Metropolitan Welsh Church, and the congregation is entirely Welsh." ("The Daily Telegraph," 13th February, 1913.)

E. KINCHANT.

"Burial—Parish Church, St. Chad, Shrewsbury.

1775, December 30th. Kinchant, Mrs. Elizth. Age 82." (No further particulars in Register.)

A Huguenot Church Service is still treasured in the family. The title page thus describes it:

"Le Nouveau Testament, c'est à dire, La Nouvelle Alliance de Notre Seigneur Jesus Christ."

"Se vend à Charenton par Antoine Cellier, demeurant à Paris, rue de la Harpe, à l'Imprimerie des Roziers, près la Roze Rouge, MDCLXIX."

"Les Pseaumes de David, mis en rime française, par C.M. et T.D.B. Se vend, &c., MDCLXVIII."

There are signatures in the book:

At p. 1.—"M. E. Kinchant, March 9th, 1806."

At p. 2.—"Mary Emma Kinchant."

Last p.—"Francis Charlton." (Sir Francis Charlton, Bart.)

QUINCHANT v. KINCHANT, JOHN (172 -1789), Captain, son of Captain Jean Jenvre Quienchant and Elizabeth, his wife.

(Baptism—certificate wanting.)

Military Service.

"Ensign, Brigadier-Gen. H. Pulteney's, 13th Foot, 10th May, 1742.
Quarter-Master, Brigadier-Gen. H. Pulteney's, 13th Foot, 13th Nov., 1744.
Ensign, 1st Foot Guards, 7th June, 1745.
Lieutenant-Captain, 1st Foot Guards, 28th April, 1749.
Captain, h.p., Lieutenant-Gen. H. Skelton's, 12th Foot, 5th March, 1751.
Captain, f.p., Lieutenant-Gen. F. Leighton's, 32nd Foot, 4th March, 1756.
Retired 27th April 1761." (Public Record Office.)

His parchment Commissions—as Ensign, 13th Foot, and Captain, 32nd Foot—are extant, and were cleaned and framed in 1912. That of Captain is dated 27th October 1760, and is one of the renewal Commissions issued to all Army Officers on the Accession of King George III. (Public Record Office.)

E. CHARLTON.

"Baptism—Parish Church, Ludford, Herefordshire.
1715, Oct. 7th.—Emma, daughter of Sir Francis Charlton, Bart., and the Lady Mary his wife."

J. LLOYD and E. CHARLTON.

"Marriage—Parish Church, Whittington, Salop.
1739 February 19th. John Lloyd, Esq., of Aston, Lord of the Manor of Whittington, and the Hon. Ms. Emma Charlton, daughter of Sir Francis Charlton, Baronet. Edward Maurice, Curate."

There is a portrait of Emma Charlton, dated 1740, at Aston Hall, Salop, the Seat of General Sir Francis Lloyd, K.C.B.

J. Lloyd.

"Burial—In the family vault at Aston, Salop: John Lloyd who died, s.p., 28th September 1740."

R. JENKINS and E. LLOYD.

"Marriage—Parish Church, St. Chad, Shrewsbury.
1741 October 15th. Jenkins, Richd. Esq., and Mrs. Emma Lloyd."

R. Jenkins.

"Burial—Parish Church, Holy Cross, Shrewsbury.
1743 February 5th. Richard Jenkins, Esq."

M. G. JENKINS.

"Baptism—Parish Church, Holy Cross, Shrewsbury.
1743 September 16th. Mary Gertrude, daughter of Richard Jenkins, Esq., and Emma his wife. Born August 4th."

She married about 1763 the Venerable Archdeacon Edward Browne of Ross, Ireland. (Park Hall Papers, x. 1.)

(Marriage—certificate wanting.)

Issue: John Charlton; Francis; Richard and Job, twins; Emma; Elizabeth.

J. Quinchant.

“William Oswell, Mayor.

1752 October 6th.—John Quinchant of Shrewsbury Esqre. is admitted a Free Burgess of the said town to have hold use and enjoy all the liberties and privileges of a Burgess of the said town who saith upon his oath that he hath issue four sons to wit John Charlton aged about two years and a half Francis aged about a year and a half and Richard and Job twins aged about three weeks and that he hath no other issue before this time lawfully begotten and born was admitted without fine or fee and sworn before the said Mayor Aldermen and Assistants* after the manner of a Burgess.” (Freemen's Roll, Shrewsbury.)

Emma Quinchant, on the death of her brother, Job Charlton, 30th March 1761, succeeded as his heir, and John Quinchant, jure uxoris, became seated at Park Hall, and possessed of the freehold estates at Bishops Castle and Lydham, Shropshire.

Variations in the Surname.

1. His Commission as Ensign, 10th May 1742, is directed to him as “John Quinchant, Gent.”, but in the same document his father's name is spelt, “Quienchant”:

“We do by these presents constitute and appoint you to be Ensign to that Company whereof John Quienchant, Esq. is Captain.”

2. In the register of St. Alkmund, Shrewsbury, where Francis, Richard and Job Quinchant were baptised, the fourth letter (e) in the surname has been partially erased.

3. “Oswestry District, Wales Middle Collection. No. 50. £1 : 0 : 0. Entry made at the Excise Office at Oswestry in the County of Salop this 17th day of July 1761. Received of John Quinchant, Esq. of Park in the parish of Whittington, the sum of one pound for four hundred ounces of silver plate.” (Park Hall Papers, x.)

4. “1763 March 19th. The letters ‘Qu’ in the surname were changed to: K.” (Park Hall Papers, x. 2.)

The anglicizing of the Huguenot patronymic is to be regretted, because members of the family had then resided in England for 78 years, during 58 of which father and son had held Commissions in the English Army. A reason for making the change is perhaps given in the deed-poll or published notice, but up to the present neither has been found. In those days—when anyone with a foreign name was not over welcome in England—it may have been considered expedient to make the change on succeeding to a County Seat. The new form, however, was at once adopted by every member of the family, as evidenced by public documents, and has continued in use to the present day. Many of the Huguenot refugees changed their names on settling in a new country, after the Dispersion, 1685.

“Town of Shrewsbury.

Minutes at House Meeting on Friday next after the Feast of Barth: vizt. the 29th day of August 1766.

The Assistants* being withdrawn

The Mayor and Aldermen present have unanimously elected John Kinchant Esqre. an Assistant to be an Alderman in the room of one dead or resigned and who appearing took the oath of an Alderman and the oaths appointed to be taken by persons in places of trust. The Assistants being called in

The said John Kinchant elected Mayor.” (Extracted from the Minutes.)

*Assistant=Town Councillor.

Emma Kinchant died at Park Hall, 11th January 1772. (Brown's Chancery Reports, 1784.)

"Burial—Parish of Whittington in the County of Salop.

1772 January 18th. Emma w. of John Quinchant, Esq., Park Hall, Whittington, & d. of Sir Job Charlton, Bart. W. Roberts."

She was the daughter of Sir Francis Charlton, Bart., and is so described in the certificate of her marriage with John Lloyd, 19th February 1739. Her grandfather, Sir Job Charlton, Bart., died 24th May 1697. She died intestate; and Letters of Administration were granted to her husband at Doctors' Common:

! "Emma Kinchant on the 26th October 1772 admon. of the goods chattels and credits of Emma Kinchant late of Park Hall in the County of Salop widow deceased was granted to John Kinchant Esq. the husband of the said deceased having been first sworn by common duly to admon." (Somerset House.)

A cenotaph to her memory was erected by her grandson, Richard Henry Kinchant, Esq., to whom Dr. James Donne, Headmaster of Oswestry Grammar School wrote:

"Oswestry, 10th Dec. 1827.

I received this bill to-day. I told Milnes I would send the account to you as soon as he should have put up the memorial to your grandmother. It was put up last Saturday. I think it is one of the handsomest of all those placed in the New Burying Ground."

"R. H. Kinchant, Esq. To Charles Milnes.

1827 Dec. 7th. Tombstone carriage and labour £13 : 0 : 0; 6 dozen and 3 letters cut 6s. 3d.—£13 : 6 : 3." (Park Hall Papers, x.)

I saw this monument in 1858—it was then in a state of decay. I made enquiries in 1891, but no trace of it could be found.

J. Kinchant died at Ludlow, 9th June, 1789; and his Will, dated 24th May 1789, was proved at Canterbury. (Park Hall Papers, x.)

"Burial—Ludford Parish, Herefordshire.

1789 June 12th.—John Kinchant of Ludlow."

QUINCHANT, ELIZABETH (17 -), only daughter of Captain Jean Jenvre Quienchant and Elizabeth his wife.

(Baptism—certificate wanting.)

REVD. MR. PARRY and E. QUINCHANT.

(Marriage—certificate wanting.)

Revd. Mr. Parry.

"Burials at Calcutta, Vol. 2. Fol. 173. Bengal.

A.D. 1769, April 13th.—The Rev. Mr. Parry, one of the Chaplains of Calcutta." (India Office, Westminster.)

LIEUT.-COLONEL R. WINWOOD and MRS. PARRY

"Marriages at Calcutta, Vol. 2. Fol. 195. Bengal.

A.D. 1770, July 2nd.—Ralph Winwood, Esq., Lieutenant-Colonel in the Company's Service, and Mrs. Elizabeth Parry, widow." (India Office, Westminster.)

Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. Winwood.

(Burial—certificates wanting.)

QUINCHANT v. KINCHANT, JOHN CHARLTON (1749-1832), Esquire, eldest son of Captain John Quinchant and Emma his wife. He was born 4th May, 1749. (Park Hall Papers, x. 2.)

(Baptism—certificate wanting.)

Military Service :

"Cornet, 3rd Dragoon Guards, 27th February, 1769 ; Retired, 15th January, 1772." (Public Record Office.)

"His Commission as Cornet cost £1200. He attained the age of 21 years in 1770. He succeeded to the Park Hall Estate on the death of his mother, 11th January, 1772 ; and to freehold property in and near Bishops Castle, Shropshire, on the death of his father, 9th June, 1789." (Brown's Chancery Reports, No. 1. 1784.)

"He was High Sheriff of Shropshire in 1775. Arms—Az. three lions' heads, erased ar., crowned or." ("The Sheriffs of Shropshire." By the Rev. J. B. Blakeway.)

His Racing Colours were : Purple and White Seams, Purple Cap. They were taken to India, 1858.

J. S. FOWLER

(Baptism—certificate wanting).

J. C. KINCHANT and J. S. FOWLER.

"Marriage at the Parish Church of St. Anne, Westminster, Middlesex.

1778, May 24th.—John Charlton Kinchant of Park Hall in the County of Salop, Esq., and Jane Stuckley Fowler, a minor of this parish by and with the consent of Christopher Fowler the natural and lawful father of the said minor. Married by Licence (A.C.) by me, Thos. Martyn, Curate. J. Charlton Kinchant. Jane Stuckley Fowler. Witnesses: C. Fowler, Wm. Fowler."

"John Charlton Kinchant, Esq., of Park Hall, Shropshire, to Miss Fowler, eldest daughter of Christopher Fowler, Esq., of Dean street, Soho." (Lloyd's Evening Post, 27th May, 1778.)

J. C. Kinchant died, s.p., 1st February, 1832. (Tablet—Whittington, Salop.)

"Burial—Parish of Chiswick, Middlesex.

1832, February 14th.—John Charlton Kinchant, Esq., of Hammersmith. Age 84 years. Thos. Frere Bowerbank, Vicar."

J. S. Kinchant died 15th January, 1833. (Tablet—Whittington, Salop.)

"Burial—Parish of Chiswick, Middlesex.

1833, January 25th.—Jane Stuckley Kinchant of Kensington. Age 72 years. Thos. Frere Bowerbank, Vicar."

Mural Tablet, Whittington, Salop :

"This monument is erected by Jane Stuckley Kinchant in memory of her deeply lamented husband John Charlton Kinchant, Esquire, of Park Hall, near Oswestry, and Blunden Hall, Bishops Castle ; who to the unutterable grief of his wife and relations, died at his residence Brook Green House, Hammersmith, Middlesex, on the 1st February, 1832. Age 84. John Charlton Kinchant, Esquire, was Grandson (on his maternal side) to Sir Francis Charlton, Bart., of Ludford House, Herefordshire ; and was High Sheriff for the County of Salop, anno domini, 1775.

Jane Stuckley Kinchant, wife of the above John Charlton Kinchant, Esquire, died January 15th, 1833. Age 76."

[Her burial certificate gives her age as "72," which is probably correct, seeing she was a minor when she married in 1778. His age is given, in both instances, as "84," He was in his 83rd year.]

QUINCHANT v. KINCHANT, FRANCIS (1751-1823), REVD., second son of Captain John Quinchant and Emma his wife.

"Baptism in the Parish of St. Alkmund, Shrewsbury.

1751, July 28th.—Francis, born this day, son of John Quinchant, Gentleman, and Emma his wife."

"Francis Kinchant matriculated as a pensioner at St. John's College 18th December, 1769, and proceeded to the degree of LL.B. 1774." (Registry of the University, Cambridge.)

The Revd. Francis Kinchant:

"1774, August 24th.—Ordained deacon and licensed to curacy of Brampton Bryan, at a stipend of £30."

"1775 September 29th.—Ordained priest."

"1776 December 11th.—Licensed to vicarage of Ludford, on the presentation of Sir Francis Charlton, Bart."

"1777 June 18th.—Licensed to vicarage and parish church of Stokesay, on the presentation of Thomas Lloyd and Robert Pardoc, devisees under the will of Lucius Henry Hibbins, clerk, deceased."

"1777 July 9th.—Licensed as Surrogate." (Hereford Diocesan Registry.)

M. PATESHALL.

(Baptism—certificate wanting.)

F. KINCHANT and M. PATESHALL.

"On the 3rd July 1782 a license was granted by the Revd. John Rocke for the marriage of Francis Kinchant of Ludlow, Bachelor, and Mary Pateshall of the same place, Spinster. William Foldewey, Esq., of the same parish signed the marriage bond as security." (Hereford Diocesan Registry.)

"Marriage at the Parish Church of Ludlow, Salop:

1782 July 4th.—Revd. Francis Kinchant and Miss Mary Pateshall both of this Parish by License. F. Kinchant. Mary Kinchant. J. Rocke, Rector. Witness: John Kinchant."

Issue: Mary Emma. Francis Charlton.

By this marriage the Revd. F. Kinchant acquired the Easton Estate, in the parish of Middleton-on-the-Hill, Herefordshire, and resided there for several years.

In "The House of Cornwall," published at Hereford, 1908, it is stated that Captain Frederick Cornwall, who was buried at Delbury, Salop, 8th August 1788, left instructions for rings to be given to the Revd. F. Kinchant and twenty eight others, one of whom was Captain J. Kinchant. (Hereford Public Library.)

"Henry Bevan, Mayor."

"1796 May 24th. Francis Kinchant of the Crescent, Clerk, is admitted and sworn a free Burgess of the town of Shrewsbury to have use and enjoy all the liberties and privileges of the said town. And upon his oath saith that he hath issue Mary Emma aged nine years and Francis Charlton aged six years and that he hath no other issue before this time lawfully begotten and born. And he paid for his fine Five pounds and the fees, and is sworn after the manner of a Burgess." (Extracted from the Freeman's Roll.)

M. Kinchant.

"Burials—Parish of Middleton-on-the-Hill in the County of Hereford.

1810 May 1st, Mary Kinchant."

"On Saturday last died, at Easton in this County, after a short illness, Mrs. Kinchant, wife of the Revd. Francis Kinchant. She was greatly respected and her loss will be long and sincerely lamented." ("Hereford Journal," 2nd May, 1810.)

Mural Tablet, Parish Church, Middleton-on-the-Hill, Herefordshire :

"Sacred to the memory of Samuel Pateshall, Esq., late of Easton, in this parish, who died November 19th 1774. Aged 55. And also Mary his daughter and only child, wife of the Revd. Francis Kinchant. She died the 28th April 1810. Aged 56.

This monument is erected by her daughter Mary Emma Kinchant in the year 1818."

F. Kinchant.

"Burial—Parish of Whittington, in the County of Salop.

1823 October 14th.—Francis Kinchant, of Shrewsbury. Age 72. C. A. A. Lloyd, Rector."

"Yesterday sennight died, at his daughter's,* College Hill, Shrewsbury, aged 73, the Revd. Francis Kinchant of Easton in this County, and for many years an active and useful magistrate." ("Hereford Journal," 15th October 1823.)

Mural Tablet, Parish Church, Whittington, Salop :

"Sacred to the memory of the Revd. Francis Kinchant of Easton, Herefordshire, second son of John and Emma Kinchant, late of Park Hall, in this parish. He departed this life on the 6th October 1823. Aged 72. As a small tribute of gratitude and affection this tablet is erected by his daughter* in the year 1824."

*Mrs. M. E. Andrews.

QUINCHANT v. KINCHANT, RICHARD (1752-1809), H.E.I.C.S., third son, twin with Job (1752-3), of Captain John Quinchant and Emma his wife.

R. & J. QUINCHANT.

"Baptism—Parish of St. Alkmund, Shrewsbury.

1752 September 27th.—Born this day, Richard and Job, sons of John Quinchant, Gent., and Emma his wife."

"The burial of Job Quinchant on Aug. 25th 1753 is recorded in the Register." (Vicar of St. Chad, Shrewsbury, June 14th, 1916.)

The petition of Richard Kinchant for a Writership in the East India Company's Service is dated:

"Cannock, July 27th, 1768; is endorsed, 10th October 1786, as granted; the certificate of baptism is signed by Samuel Swabe, Curate of St. Alkmund; and the certificate of proficiency in Reading, Writing and Merchants' accounts, is signed by William Stubbs, Master of the Academy in Shrewsbury." ("Writers' Petitions," a volume of Applications in original. India Office, Whitehall.)

"Letter from Geo. Clive, Arlington St., 4th Jany. 1769, having procured Richd. Kinchant a passage in *Ye Prince of Wales*, Capt. Court." (Park Hall Papers, x. 1.)

[George Clive, Esq., son of Revd. Benjamin Clive, and first cousin of the great Lord Clive, was a Banker (Gosling & Clive), and M.P. for Bishops Castle, 1763-79. He died March 23, 1779.]

"*The Prince of Wales*, Commander Court, sailed from the Downs on the 24th March 1769." (India Office, Whitehall.)

In the E.I.C. Service:

"1769, Writer; 1774, Factor and Assistant, Cuddalore; 1775, Junior Merchant; 1780, Senior Merchant; 1791, Senior Merchant and Resident, Rayapore; 1795, On leave to England; 1800, Commercial Resident, at Cuddalore, and in Charge of the Revenues of Pondicherry and Cuddalore." ("Writers' Services," a printed volume. India Office, Whitehall.)

M. K. WILKINSON.

(Baptism—Certificate wanting.)

She was a granddaughter of the Revd. Thomas Wilkinson, M.A., and Marguerite Susanne his wife (née Maret de la Rive), and great-granddaughter of James Wilkinson, Esq., and Mary Madelaine his wife (née Myre). ("Fragments of Family History"—Collot d'Escury, Maret de la Rive, Wilkinson." By Susannah Proctor Flory.)

A Patent of Arms, 30 Henry VIII., was granted to William Wilkinson of Darrington, Durham, Ancestor of Sir Henry Wilkinson of Corballis, Dublin, in whose possession the original now remains, May 18th, 1818.

"Copied for Mrs. Anne Wilkinson, and her family by Richard Henry Kinchant, May 27th, 1819," is endorsed on the copy in the possession of the Revd. John Frome-Wilkinson, Rector of Barley, Royston, Herts.

R. KINCHANT & M. K. WILKINSON.

"Register of Marriages at the Protestant Mission Church, Cuddalore:

Richard Kinchant, Esquire, Bachelor, Commercial Resident and Myra Catherina^e Wilkinson, Spinster, were married this Twenty eighth day of March One thousand eight hundred and two. By me, Henry Horst. Witnesses: Jn. Wm. Wilkinson, Jurgen Herft, Magda. Horst. These are to certify that the above is a true copy of the Register of Marriages. As witness my hand this 28th day of June 1821. I. G. Holzberg, Protestant Missy. & Offictg. Chaplain."

Issue: Richard Henry; John Nathaniel Robert; Myra Anne.

*In 1836, as a sponsor, she signed: "Myra Katherine Kinchant."

R. Kinchant died at Pondichery, Aug. 1809. Intestate. (India Office, Whitehall.)

"Register of Funerals, Madras, Vol. 4. Folio, 283. Cuddalore.

This is to certify that the remains of Richard Kinchant, Esq., Commercial Resident, were this day, the 24th of August 1809, decently interred and the funeral service of the Church of England read over them by me, I. G. Holzberg." (India Office, Whitehall.)

M. K. Kinchant died at No. 22 rue Sebastien, Ostend, Belgium, 10 Oct. 1866.

"Royaume de Belgique, Province de la Flandre Occidentale, Ville d'Ostende.

Extrait d'un Acte de décès inscrit aux registres de l'Etat Civil de cette Ville pour l'an 1866, délivré sur papier libre conformément à l'article quatrevingt du code civil.

L'an mil huit cent soixante six le dix Octobre à dix heures et demie du matin pardevant nous Jean Van Treghem, Commandeur de l'ordre de François premier, chevalier des ordres de Leopold du Lion Neerlandais, de troisième classe de l'aigle rouge de Prusse et de Frédéric de Wurtemberg, Bourgmestre officier de l'état civil de la ville d'Ostende, sont comparus Henry Watts, âgé de soixante six ans, rentier, domicilié à Londres, séjournant à Bruxelles, et Auguste Petyt, âgé de trente cinq ans, charpentier, domicilié à Ostende, non parents de la défunte, lesquels nous ont déclaré que ce jour d'hui à deux heures du matin est décédée en cette ville, rue Sebastien No 22 Myra Catherine Wilkinson, âgée de quatrevingt deux ans et six mois, née en Irlande, particulière, domiciliée à Londres, veuve de Richard Kinchant, décédé à Pondichéry dans les Indes orientales, lieu de naissance et filiation de la défunte inconnus aux déclarants. Dont acte fait à Ostende en la maison commune et après lecture donnée aux comparants ils ont signé avec nous. (Signé) Henry Watts, Augte. Petyt et Jean Van Treghem. Pour Extrait conforme. Ostende, le 17 Octobre 1866. Le Bourgmestre, Officier de l'Etat Civil. Jean Van Treghem. Vu par nous, Président du Tribunal première Instance de Bruges pour légalisation de la signature de Mr. Jean Van Treghem qualifié ci-dessus. Bruges, 26 Octobre. 1866. Van Caloen. Vu pour légalisation de la signature de Mr. Van Caloen, Président du tribunal de 1ère instance, séant à Bruges. Bruges, le 7 Novembre 1866. le Gouverneur. B. Vrambout.

✓ Vu pour légalisation de la signature de Mr. Vrambout apposée d'autre part. Bruxelles le 12 Nbre, 1866. Pour le Ministre des affaires Etrangères le Directeur Ad. de Page." (General Register Office, Somerset House.)

(Burial—certificate wanting.)

QUINCHANT v. KINCHANT, EMMA (1754-1788), elder daughter of Captain John Quinchant and Emma his wife.

"Baptism—Parish of St. Mary, Shrewsbury.

1754, July 29th.—Emma daughter of Mr. John Quinchant and Emma Quinchant. Ben Wingfield, Mintr."

J. GARDNER and E. KINCHANT.

"Marriage at the Parish Church, Stokesay, Salop.

1775, Sept. 26th.—John Gardner, Esq., St. Mary, Salop, and Emma Kinchant, Stokesay. By Licence, by Fran. Kinchant, Clerk. John Gardner. Emma Gardner. Witnesses: J. Kinchant, John Davis."

E. Gardner.

"Burial—Parish of St. Mary, Shrewsbury.

1788, July 19th.—Emma wife of John Gardner, Esq., of Sansaw. Aged 34. Ed. Blakeway, Minister."

J. Gardner.

"Burial—Parish of St. Mary, Shrewsbury.

1801, March 31st.—John Gardner, Esq., of Sansaw. Age 55. J. B. Blakeway, Minister."

QUINCHANT v. KINCHANT, ELIZABETH (1756-1817), younger daughter of Captain John Quinchant and Emma his wife.

"Baptism—Parish of St. Chad, Shrewsbury.

1756, Jan. 4th.—Elizabeth daughter of John Quinchant, Esq., and Emma his wife."

R. ROCKE and E. KINCHANT.

"Marriage—Parish Church of St. Chad, Shrewsbury.

1777, April 10th.—Richard Roche, Esq., of the Parish of Lebotwood, and Elizabeth Kinchant of this Parish. By Licence, by Fran. Kinchant, Minister of Ludford. Richard Roche. Elizabeth Kinchant. Witnesses: J. Charlton Kinchant, John Doncaster."

In a Release, dated 26th May 1801, they are described as "of Trefnanney in the County of Montgomery," &c. (Park Hall Papers, x.)

R. Roche died November 23rd, 1807, s.p. (Roche Pedigree.)

"Burial—Parish of St. Chad, Shrewsbury.

1807, November 30th.—Roche Richd., Esq. Age 58."

E. Roche died December 3rd. 1817. (Roche Pedigree.)

"Burial—Parish of Paddington, Middlesex.

1817, December 17th.—Elizabeth Roche of George Street, St. Marylebone. Age 61. Jos. Pickering, Perpetual Curate."

KINCHANT, MARY EMMA (1786-1847), only daughter of the Revd. Francis Kinchant and Mary his wife.

"Parish of Middleton-on-the-Hill, in the County of Hereford.

Baptism—1786, Mary Emma, daughter of the Revd. Francis Kinchant and Mary his wife was baptized August 11th."

H. ANDREWS.

"Baptism—In the Parish of St. Lawrence, Reading, in the County of Berkshire.

1793, February 20th.—Henry son of William and Arabella Andrews." (No further particulars in Register.)

Military Service :

"Ensign, 4th Foot, 15th May 1812; Lieutenant, 7th October 1813; H. P., 25th March, 1817." (Public Record Office.)

H. ANDREWS and M. E. KINCHANT.

"Marriage at All Saints, Parish of Fulham, in the County of Middlesex.

1819, April 17th.—Henry Andrews, Bachelor, St. Lawrence, Reading, Berks., and Mary Emma Kinchant, Spinster, All Saints, Fulham, married by License, by me, William Wood. Henry Andrews, Mary Emma Kinchant. Witnesses: J. G. Martin Kinchant, George Andrews, Jane J. Kinchant."

H. Andrews.

"He was accidentally shot at Park Hall Farm, near Oswestry, Salop, on the 5th October 1822; and was buried at Meole Brace, near Shrewsbury, 12th October 1822. Age 30 years." (Public Record Office.)

J. LANGLEY and M. E. ANDREWS.

"Marriage at Parish Church of St. Chad, Shrewsbury, in the County of Salop.

1826, August 9th, John Langley, Clerk, Widower, of this Parish, and Mary Emma Andrews, of this Parish, Widow, were married in this Church, by License, this ninth day of August, in the year One thousand eight hundred and twenty six, by me, William Bolland, Officiating Minister."

"This marriage was solemnized between us, John Langley, Mary Emma Andrews. Witnesses: Jane Eliza Kynnersley, Richard Henry Kinchant."

M. E. Langley died, s.p., in St. Martin's Street, Wallingford, Berks., 23rd January, 1847.

"Burial in the Parish of St. Mary, Wallingford, in the County of Berks.

1847, January 29th.—Mary Emma Langley, wife of the Rector, St. Martin's Street, age 62. Richard Roberts, Officiating Minister."

Tablet in St. Mary, Middleton-on-the-Hill, Herefordshire :

"In memory of Mary Emma only daughter of the Revd. F. Kinchant of Easton in this parish, and wife of the Revd. John Langley, Rector of St. Mary, Wallingford, Berks., Died Jany. XXIII, 1848. Aged 63." [This is one year out.]

By her Will, dated 18th October 1844, she bequeathed the Easton Estate to her first cousin, the Revd. J. N. R. Kinchant, subject to the life interest of her husband, the Revd. J. Langley, and to several legacies to her husband's children.

J. Langley.

"Burial in the Parish of Sotwell in the County of Berks.:

1875, August 4th, John Langley formerly Rector of Sotwell, abode Wallingford, Age 85 years. By Robt. Wheler Bush, Ofc. Minister."

KINCHANT, FRANCIS CHARLTON (1790-1815), Esquire, only son of the Revd. Francis Kinchant and Mary his wife.

"Baptism, Middleton-on-the-Hill, Herefordshire.

1790.—Francis Charlton son of the Reverend Francis Kinchant and Mary his wife, September ye 1st."

Military Service :

"Cornet, by purchase, 2nd (or Royal North British) Dragoons, 'Scots Greys,' 18th January 1815. Killed in action at Waterloo, 18th June 1815." (Public Record Office.)

"72560. War Office, 28 April 1836. These are to certify that it appears by the Records in this office that Cornet Francis Charlton Kinchant of the 2nd (or Royal North British) Regiment of Dragoons was killed on the eighteenth day of June 1815 in Action with the Enemy." (Park Hall Papers, x. 2.)

There are extant four letters written by Cornet F. C. Kinchant to his friend John Rose Hall, Esq., of Cockshut-Lydiat, Ludlow, Shropshire, dated 1815: Bristol, March 28th and April 6th; Ghent, April 23rd; Denderhauken, near Gramont, May 21st. Those of March 28th and May 21st are beautifully written and are as legible in 1910 as they were in 1815. The other two, April 6th and 23rd, are faded owing to inferior paper and ink. These letters were lent me in 1910 by Mr. Vivian McLaughlin, of Brightlands, Newnham, Gloucestershire. With his permission, I repaired them with transparent tape at the edges and foldings, and had them put in a portfolio inscribed in black-letter: "Francis Charlton Kinchant (1790-1815), Cornet, 'The Scots Greys.' Killed at Waterloo, June 18th." These letters are given in Appendix A.

The circumstances of his death at Waterloo; some particulars as to Sergeant Charles Ewart, of the 'Scots Greys'; and a letter bearing date "July 2nd 1817," also lent me by Mr. Vivian McLaughlin in 1910, are given in Appendix B.

Among Cornet F. C. Kinchant's effects returned to his relatives, was his cavalry cloak, which was long preserved at Nantiago by his first cousin the Rev. J. N. R. Kinchant. The collar fastening—two bosses with chain—only now remains, and is set in a Morocco case inscribed: "Francis Charlton Kinchant, 1790-1815. Cornet 'The Scots Greys.' Killed at Waterloo. Collar fastening of his cavalry cloak."

Mural Tablet, Middleton-on-the-Hill, Herefordshire :

"Sacred to the memory of Francis Charlton Kinchant, Cornet in the 'Scots Greys,' only son of the Revd. F. Kinchant and Mary his wife, of Easton in this Parish. He was cut off at the battle of Waterloo the 18th day of June 1815 in the 24thth year of his age. His sister† erects this small memorial of her regret and love."

A fitting complement to the story of the friendship, which existed between Francis Charlton Kinchant and John Rose Hall, is to record: that they were of the same age; and that "Dear John" rests in the churchyard of Brimfield, Herefordshire. There is a mural tablet in that church:

"Sacred to the Memory of John Rose Hall, Esq., of The Lydiates, in this parish, who died, 21st May 1858. Aged 68. Also, aged 85, Ellen, widow of the above, and previously of James Bromilow, Esq., of Greenend House, St. Helens."

The Lydiates (formerly "Cockshut-Lydiat") came to Mr. Vivian McLaughlin's mother, from her mother, the above Mrs. John Rose Hall (née Leigh).

I regret to add that Mr. Vivian McLaughlin, who had given me such generous help with these notes, died suddenly, on the 15th March 1917. Aged 52.

*25th year.

†Miss M. E. Kinchant.

KINCHANT, MYRA ANNE (1803-1837), only daughter of Richard Kinchant, H.E.I.C.S., and Myra Katherine, his wife.

(Baptism—certificate wanting.)

C. J. R. ELLIS and M. A. KINCHANT.

"Marriage at the Protestant Mission Church at Cuddalore :

Charles John Robert Ellis, Esquire, Bachelor, of the Honorable Company's Civil Service, and Myra Anne Kinchant, Spinster, were married this 27th day of August in the year of our Lord 1817, by me, I. G. Holzberg, Prot. Missy. & Offic. Chaplain."

Issue : Myra Anne Sarah ; Charles Emilius Charleton ; Charles Henry Emilius ; Frederick John.

A. F. D. GIFFORD and M. A. ELLIS.

(Marriage—certificate wanting.)

M. A. Gifford died at Nantiago, 30th October 1837.

"Burial in the Parish of Whittington, Salop.

1837 November 7th.—Myra Anne Gifford, sister of R. H. Kinchant, Esq., Park Hall, abode Nantiago, Llanvair Waterdine, Salop. Age 34. C. A. A. Lloyd, Rector."

Mural Tablet in Parish Church, Whittington, Salop:

"To the memory of Myra Anne, only daughter of Richard Kinchant, of the Honourable East India Company's Civil Service and of Myra Katherine his wife, this tablet is erected by her afflicted husband Adolphus Frederic Daubeney Gifford. She departed this life on the 30th day of October 1837. Aged 34 years."

KINCHANT, RICHARD HENRY (1804-1864), Esquire, elder son of Richard Kinchant, H.E.I.C.S., and Myra Katherine his wife.

"Register of Baptisms at the Protestant Missionary Church at Cuddalore.

Richard Henry, son of Richard Kinchant, Esq., Commercial Resident, and his wife Myra Catharine, born the sixth day of January One thousand eight hundred and four, was baptized the fourth day of March One thousand eight hundred and four. By me, I. G. Holzberg, P.M. & Officg. Chaplain. Sponsors: Henry Wilkinson, proxy, R. Kinchant; Anne Wilkinson, proxy, M. C. Kinchant.

These are to certify that the above is a true copy of the Register of Baptisms. As witness my hand this first day of August 1821. I. G. Holzberg, P.M. & Officg. Chaplain." (Park Hall Papers, x. 2.)

"Register of Baptisms, Madras. Vol. II. folio 173.

1804 March 4th, Cuddalore. Richard Henry son of Richd., Esquire, and Mary Cath. Kinchant. Immanuel G. Holzberg, Missry." (India Office, Westminster.)

He was grounded at Oswestry Grammar School.

"Richard Henry Kinchant matriculated as a Pensioner of St. John's College, on 13th November 1822, proceeding to the degree of B.A. in 1828." (Registry of the University, Cambridge.)

Military Service:

"Ensign, 69th Foot, 25th June 1827; Lieutenant, Unattached and Half Pay, 12th July 1831; Commuted his Half Pay, 2nd August 1833." (Public Record Office.)

His parchment Commission, as Ensign, was framed, 1915.

M. E. CATON.

"Baptisms in the Parish of Manghold, Isle of Man.

1805 May 9th.—Maria Eliza daughter of Richard Bewley Caton and Eliza Keating Power, privately baptized." (Registry of Deeds, Isle of Man.)

R. H. KINCHANT and M. E. CATON.

"Marriages in All Souls Church, Parish of St. Marylebone, Middlesex.

1831 December 2nd.—Richard Henry Kinchant, Esq., of the District Rectory of All Souls in the Parish of St. Marylebone, Bachelor, and Maria Eliza Caton of the District Rectory of All Souls in the Parish of St. Marylebone, Spinster, a Minor, by and with the consent of the Revd. Richard Bewley Caton, Clerk, the natural and lawful father of the said Minor, by licence, by me, John Kinchant, B.A., Criggion, Shropshire. [Montgomeryshire.] Richard Henry Kinchant. Maria Eliza Caton. Witnesses: Louisa Fairlie, J. Charlton Kinchant, Myra Catherine Kinchant."

"Married yesterday at All Souls Church, Langham Place, by the Revd. John Kinchant, Richard Henry Kinchant, Esquire, eldest son of the late Richard Kinchant, Esq., of the Madras Civil Service, to Maria Eliza, only daughter of the Revd. R. B. Caton, of York Street, Portman Square, and of Bimbrook Walk House, Lincolnshire." ("The Morning Post," Saturday, December 3rd, 1831.)

Issue: Charlton John; Job Henry; Richard Caton; Eliza Power; Myra Katherine Anne.

On the death of his uncle John Charlton Kinchant, Richard Henry succeeded to the Park Hall Estate, and the freehold property at Bishops Castle and Lydham, Shropshire. He was High Sheriff of Shropshire, 1846. His brother the Revd. J. R. N. Kinchant was his Chaplain. Park Hall dispensed hospitality with a generous hand, and was a favourite rendezvous for the noble recreation of Archery. The first meeting of the Society of Shropshire Bowmen was held at Park Hall, August 1843. ("Eddowes's Shrewsbury Journal," Wednesday, August 16th, 1843.) The second meeting for the season of the Royal British Bowmen was held at Park Hall, on Thursday, the 11th August, 1859. ("The Oswestry Advertiser," August 17th, 1859.)

R. H. Kinchant died at Park Hall, 8th June 1864.

"This week it is our painful duty to record the death of Richard Henry Kinchant, Esq., long known as an active magistrate for this division of Shropshire, and had filled the office of High Sheriff. The funeral of the lamented gentleman took place at Whittington church on Monday, 13th June, the Rector, the Revd. W. W. How, officiating. The remains of the deceased were interred in the family vault. Members of the family attended. Most of the shops in Oswestry were partially closed." ("The Oswestry Advertiser," Wednesday, June 15, 1864.)

Mural Tablet, Parish Church, Whittington, Salop:

"In the family vault beneath this Church lie the Remains of Richard Henry Kinchant of Park Hall, Esquire, J.P., and D.L. of the County, who died after a few hours illness, on the 8th day of June 1864. Age 60."

"Burials—Parish of Whittington, Salop.

1864 June 13th.—Richard Henry Kinchant, Park Hall. Age 60. W. W. How, Rector."

Shortly after the death of the Squire, the family connection with Park, which had lasted over one hundred years, came to an end.

Sixty years have passed since my first visit to Park Hall, with my father the Revd. J. R. N. Kinchant, of Nantiago, Salop, but the memory of the happy gatherings, in the late fifties and early sixties, has not faded. At these were R. R. Caton, Esq., of Binbrook, Market Rasen, Lincoln, Mrs. Kinchant's brother; and the Rev. John Phillips, of Tyn-y-rhos, Chirk, an old friend of Cambridge days, who used to officiate at the little chapel in the west wing. Gentlemen and Sportsmen of the old school—before the days of the 'battue.'

M. E. Kinchant.

"Deaths—Brighton, Sussex.

1878 July 28th.—16 Norfolk Square, Maria Eliza Kinchant. Age 73." (Somerset House, London.)

"'Old' Parish Church, Hove, Sussex.

1878 July 31st.—Maria Eliza Kinchant. Age 73. Buried."

Gravestone in 'Old' Parish Churchyard:

"Sacred to the memory of Maria Eliza Kinchant, Relict of Richard Henry Kinchant, Esquire, of Park Hall, Shropshire, J.P., and D.L. Died 28th July 1878. Age 73."

KINCHANT, JOHN NATHANIEL ROBERT (1805-1884), the Revd., younger son of Richard Kinchant, H.E.I.C.S., and Myra Katherine his wife.

"Register of Baptisms at the Protestant Mission Church, at Cuddalore.

John Nathaniel Robert, son of Richard Kinchant, Esq., Commercial Resident, and his wife Myra Catherina Kinchant, born the eight and twentieth day of June One thousand eight hundred and five, was baptized the eight and twentieth day of October One thousand eight hundred and five, by me, I. G. Holzberg, Protst. Missy. & Offictg. Chaplain. Sponsors: Nathaniel Webb, Proxy, Rd. Kinchant. Robert Richardson, Proxy, Chevalr. Pierre De Boupet. Madame Maria De Boupet.

These are to certify that the above is a true copy of the Register of Baptisms. As witness my hand this 28th day of June 1821. I. G. Holzberg, Protst. Missy. & Offictg. Chaplain."

"Register of Baptisms, Madras. Vol. 2, folio 675.

1805 Octr. 28.—Jno. Nathaniel Robert Kinchant, son of R. Kinchant, Esq., and Mrs. Myra K. Kinchant, Cuddalore. Revd. Mr. Holzberg." (India Office, Westminster.)

He was grounded at Oswestry Grammar School.

"John Robert Nathaniel Kinchant matriculated as a Pensioner of Queen's College on the 4th of June 1824, proceeding to the degree of B.A. in 1828." (Registry of the University, Cambridge.)

"Ordained deacon, 22 Nov. 1828, and licensed to the curacy of Westbury, Salop; ordained priest, 6 Sept. 1829; curate of Criggion, Montgomeryshire, 1830-3; licensed as perpetual curate of Llanfair-Waterdine and Bettws-y-Crwyn, Salop, both on the nomination of the Earl of Powis, 18 June 1833; Surrogate, 22 Sept. 1850; Vicar of Llanfair-Waterdine, 22 Aug. 1871." (Hereford Diocesan Registry.)

A Justice of the Peace for Shropshire and Radnorshire.

M. PHAYRE.

(Baptism—certificate wanting.)

She was the eldest daughter of Richard Phayre, late H.E.I.C.S., of Claremont Buildings, Shrewsbury, and Maria his wife, daughter of James Ridgeway, Publisher.

J. R. N. KINCHANT and M. PHAYRE.

"Marriage at the Parish Church, Raynham, Norfolk.

1835 May 20th.—John Robert Nathaniel Kinchant, Clerk in Holy Orders, Llanvair-Waterdine, Salop, and Maria Phayre, West Raynham. By License, Richard Phayre, Rector. John Robert Nathaniel Kinchant. Maria Phayre. Witnesses: Adolphus Frederic Gifford, Richard Henry Kinchant, Frederick Loftus, Adolphus Augustus Turnour, Myra Anne Ellis, Jessie Turnour."

Issue: Robert Henry, Francis Charlton, John Charlton, Katherine Emma, Maria Anne, Rose Myra, Louisa Rachel.

J. R. N. Kinchant was a splendid game shot, and enjoyed the extensive and varied shooting of his two parishes. English setters were his favourites. The old farmers called him "Squire." He was also an expert fisherman.

He succeeded to the Easton Estate, Herefordshire, left him by his Cousin M. E. Langley, on the death of her husband the Revd. John Langley, 5th August 1875. This estate, about 412 acres, was sold at Leonminster, in 1916.

J. R. N. Kinchant died at Nantiago, the vicarage, 8 Decem. 1884, in his 80th year. He was buried at Llanvair Waterdine, 15th December.

M. Kinchant died at 6 Imperial Square, Cheltenham, 22 Decem. 1885, in her 76th year. She was buried in the Cemetery, Cheltenham, 26 December. No. of Grave 3038 Q.

KINCHANT, RICHARD (1796-1879), Commander, Indian Navy.

(Baptism—certificate wanting.)

"On 1st May, 1811, Richard Kinchant, age 15, was nominated by Mr. Williams (Director, E.I.C.) in favour of Mr. Willis, and appointed to the ship *Charles Mills*." (Lists of Volunteers admitted to the Indian Navy, year by year, from 1794. India Office, Whitehall.)

From "History of the Indian Navy," by C. R. Low, Lieutenant (late) Indian Navy. 2 vols. 1877.

Vol. 1, p. 275. 1811, December.—"Expedition to Kattywar: The *Bhawani* (armed Pattimar carrying six twelve pounder carronades) with Mr. Midshipman Kinchant in Command was placed at the outer entrance of the creek to prevent the enemy's escape in that direction."

Vol. 1, p. 340. 1816, January.—Persian Gulf. "Commander Richard Kinchant, who was then Acting-Lieutenant on board the *Aurora*, writes to us: 'At Bushire we had received orders from the Political Resident of the Persian Gulf to convoy to Muscat, on our way to Bombay, a large baghalah containing a considerable amount of treasure for the Imaum of Muscat. On our passage down the Gulf one evening, a little before sunset, we fell in with about 15 dhows and frankies, they looked to me like a forest of masts ahead with all sails down. We looked well to the baghalah astern, in our tow, knowing that their object, in lying in wait for us, was to cut her off. The *Aurora* stood on her course with a light nor'-wester, steering right through the fleet, and, as we approached, we gave them both broadsides shotted with grape or canister, which told well. During the action which ensued we sank many and disabled others. We had to pay great attention to our tow-rope, to prevent cutting, and some of the smaller craft, pulling 20 oars, ventured near at times for that purpose. Captain Jeakes directed me to superintend the management of the baghalah, so I was on the poop of the *Aurora* the whole time and had no very easy task. Captain Jeakes thanked me on the quarter-deck, after the action, for my management of the baghalah, which would have been a great prize for them.'"

Vol. 1, p. 344. "On the conclusion of this service, the *Prince of Wales* sailed for the Persian Gulf, and her First Lieutenant Richard Kinchant was placed in Command of the *Vestal*, 10 gun brig. He signalled his first command by attacking four frankies, full of armed men, these were sunk, for which he received the thanks of the Government of Bombay. A Captain of the Royal Navy, then in the Gulf, informed him that had he been in the King's Service he would have received promotion."

Vol. 1, p. 383. "The only Officer of the Old Bombay Marine surviving in this year (1877), who took part in the operations against Beni-boo-Ali, is Captain Richard Kinchant, who was First Lieutenant of the *Prince of Wales*, and had charge of the first division of transports. This old officer is also the sole survivor of those who took part in the Mahratta War of 1817-18, where as Second Lieutenant of the *Thetis* he was engaged at the capture of Severndroog, Gheriah, and Malwan on the Malabar coast; he also participated in the operations before Ras-ul-Khymah and Linjah, where, as he says in a letter to us: 'We slept on the bare sand with a rock for a pillow, and for a canopy the heavens above us.'"

Vol. 1, p. 385. "In 1826 Lieutenant Richard Kinchant was given the command of the *Nautilus*, and so valuable were his services during the succeeding four years in putting down piracy, and maintaining order in the Persian Gulf, that H.H. the Imaum of Muscat presented him with a sword of honour." * (Next page.)

"Presented in 1826 by the great Imaum, Seyyid Said, Sultan of Muscat and Zanzibar, for 50 years ally of the English, to Captain Kinchant, I.N., for his services in suppression of Piracy in the Persian Gulf."

The hilt is encrusted with jewels, the scabbard silver gilt. Of Arab or Persian manufacture.

30th November 1831.—"Lieutenant Kinchant appointed to the pension of a Commander."
(" Marine Records," Vol. 461, India Office, Whitehall.)

ANN MARIA PARKER LOWE.

(Baptism—certificate wanting.)

R. KINCHANT and A. M. P. LOWE.

(Marriage—certificate wanting.)

R. Kinchant died January 23rd, 1879, aged 82 years, and was buried at Nunhead Cemetery, London, S.E. Grave No. 15247. Square 122.

A. M. P. Kinchant died January 27th, 1879, aged 78 years, and was buried in the same grave.

*The sword of honour was purchased in 1878 by his brother Officers of the Indian Navy, and presented to Lieutenant Low, I.N., in acknowledgment of his labours as historian of the Indian Navy. Lent by Lieut. C. R. Low (late) I.N. (Royal Naval Exhibition, 1891. Official Catalogue, page 305, No. 2731.)

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KINCHANT, JOHN CHARLTON (1797-1816), Middy.

(Baptism—certificate wanting.)

"On 1st May, 1811, John Charlton Kinchant, aged 14, was nominated by Mr. Twining (Director, E.I.C.) in favour of Mr. Willis, and appointed to the ship *Charles Mills*." (Lists of Volunteers admitted to the Indian Navy, year by year, from 1794. India Office, Whitehall.)

"On the 5th April, 1816, the boats of the *Ternate*, Captain Davidson, attacked and drove ashore, off the Terrette river, Java, two large war prowes, each mounting four guns, and full of men. In this affair Lieutenant John Charlton Kinchant, a very promising young Officer, was killed." ("History of the Indian Navy," by C. R. Low, Lieutenant, I.N. Vol. 1, p. 266.)

KINCHANT, ANN.

(Baptism—certificate wanting.)

"Marriages—Madras, vol. 4, folio 503.

Ryacottah, 1811, January 8th.—J. Cooke, Esq., Assistant Surgeon, and Ann Kinchant, Spinster. By Colonel Robert Strange, Commanding. Witnesses: W. Harrington, Captain, 19th Regt., N.I.; R. Swyer, Lieut. 2nd N.I." (India Office, Westminster.)

(The above marriage first seen in a document shown me by the Revd. J. Frome-Wilkinson, 12th May, 1916. "The East India Register and Directory for 1812" is quoted.)

KINCHANT, J. G. MARTTIN (sic.)

KINCHANT, JANE J.

(Nothing is known, except that they signed the Register at All Saints, Fulham, Middlesex, on the 17th April, 1819, when H. Andrews and M. E. Kinchant were married.)

APPENDIX A.

Bristol,
March 28th, 1815.

My dear John,

I fear you have again an opportunity of calling me an idle correspondent. I have certainly delayed writing you much longer than I intended. In truth my time is totally occupied in drills, &c., three times a day, an hour and a half each. I rise every morning at six and attend at the Riding School till nine. I have already made great progress in the equestrian art. I and a brother Cornet, junior to myself, perform together. The method of riding is altogether different to that of the country squires. At present we ride without stirrups, in order that we may obtain a firm seat. We must leap the bar, ditches, and go through all the different evolutions of the field-exercise, &c., without stirrups, indeed I find I can already ride better without their support than with it. So much for horsemanship. The reason I have so much drilling is I much wish to go on service and share the honours my comrades are likely to reap. We are in daily expectation of receiving orders to proceed to Flanders. The regiment is without doubt the best disciplined and the most crack cavalry corps in the service, I do not think there is a private in it under 5ft. 11in., and the officers are a fine gentlemanly set of fellows. There are only three Scotchmen among the officers, but the privates are in general Scotch. The horses are all grey, and in excellent condition. Mine is two inches too low, but the Colonel has passed him for a second charger. He has desired I will get one much stronger and higher immediately as a first charger, but where I am to find a horse of that description I am at a loss to know. It is the general opinion that there will be more hard fighting and more bloodshed than in any preceding war, as that arch fellow 'Bony,' who has been too deep for all of our wise-heads, will dispute every inch of ground with the sword. I have lately received a letter from Emma,* in which she gives me the melancholy information of the death of your grandmother. Pray have you been to Easton lately? What does the Old Gent say of the present appearance of things? If we go on service I shall be obliged to call on him for a further advance of cash, as I shall have to purchase many essential, though expensive, articles, such as tent and tent equipage, &c., and many other things necessary for service. Our dress is altogether extremely rich, and consequently costs a lot of money. The Court-dress alone is 40 guineas, and is covered with lace from head to foot. The jackets are handsome, but they only cost £15:15:0 each. Every other part of the equipment is equally as expensive. In fact we make a most dashing appearance. I should much like to meet the Old Buck at Bath or Clifton. I do not think he would know his hopeful son. This night, Tuesday, I am going to a grand ball at Clifton, where I expect to meet some fine girls. I sincerely wish my friend John Hall was with me to enjoy the scene. Remember me most kindly to the Doctor,† and all your family, and Believe me, my dear John,

Your sincerely attached friend,

F. C. KINCHANT.

Please write soon, and don't follow my example. Burn this scrawl when read.

To John Rose Hall, Esq., Cockshut-Lydiat, Ludlow, Shropshire.

(Sealed with red wax: Demi-lion rampant issuing from a crest coronet; and below "F.C.K." in black-letter).

Bristol,
April 6th, 1815.

My dear John,

I have only time to tell you that we received orders yesterday to hold ourselves in perfect readiness for foreign service. To-day another order arrived for the regiment to proceed to North Fleet, about 30 miles below London, and there embark for the Continent. It will be seven days' march from hence to North Fleet. The order and the march came so near together that most of us are unprovided with tents, camp equipage, cantens, &c., all which necessities I must order from London to meet me by the time I arrive at North Fleet. We have been long expecting this move. Since I joined I have not had a spare half-hour. Three drills a day on horse-back and on foot I assure you did not a little fatigue my bones, however, I trust I am now a tolerably good match for a Frenchman. The regiment is in the finest condition and in the highest spirits and most anxious for an opportunity to distinguish itself. Remember me in the most friendly manner to the Doctor,‡ Mrs. Hall and your sister, and Believe me

Your sincerely attached friend,

F. C. KINCHANT.

We shall have seven days' march: from hence, to Chippenham the first day, Marlboro' the next, Newbury, Reading, Staines, Camberwell, Gravesend. I shall probably see Emma,* as Camberwell is but a short distance from Town. In greatest haste.

To John Rose Hall, Esq., Cockshut-Lydiat, Ludlow, Shropshire.

(Sealed with red wax: On a shield—Three lions' heads, two and one, with a demi-lion rampant issuing from a crest coronet).

*His sister: Mary Emma. †The Revd. Philip Hunt, D.D.

Ghent,

April 23rd, 1815.

My dear John,

I have taken the earliest opportunity to inform you of my arrival as far as this place. I should have written sooner, but my time has been most fully engaged since we landed. We are quartered for a day or two in a village contiguous to this town, and are in hourly expectation of receiving orders to proceed to the frontier to join the army under the Duke of Wellington. There are immense numbers of troops daily arriving, and the united forces of the Allies will, it is stated, in a short time amount to 900,000 men. We are here quite ignorant of the politics of the country. Nothing is said of Bonaparte, but he has doubtless many adherents in Flanders. Deserters from his army are constantly coming into Ghent. They state that they receive neither their rations nor pay. Some of the inhabitants seem well inclined towards the English, and are what may be termed hospitable, but adieu to English comforts. We embarked at Gravesend on the 15th, sailed on the 16th, and reached Ostend on the 19th. We had a rough passage the last day and night, the wind blowing hard right in our teeth, with snowstorms. Many of the horses were a good deal bruised, but none sustained any material injury. We expect some hard fighting before the business will be settled. Never was a regiment in better condition for service than this, both in men and appointments. Louis the Eighteenth is here. He keeps himself closely shut up and is at present in an ill state of health. With my kind regards to—[the rest of sentence illegible in 1910]. I am, my dear John,

Your affectionate friend,

F. C. KINCHANT.

When you write, address the letters to the care of Messrs. Greenwood & Cox, Craigs Court, London. In greatest haste. We march to-morrow for the frontiers.

To John Rose Hall, Esq., Cockshut-Lydiate, Ludlow, Shropshire, England.

(Sealed as his letter of March 28th, 1815).

Denderhauten,

near Gramont,

May 21st, 1815.

My dear John,

Week after week has passed without my having the gratification of hailing your long expected, most welcome letter. I assure you I am most anxious to hear from you, having as yet received only one letter from Old England. My father has not yet replied to the letters I sent him from Bristol, but my sister says he intends advancing the money I applied for. I shall therefore write him very soon on the subject as my last bills are unpaid in London for camp equipage, &c., and the tradesmen are continually dunning for their accounts to be settled. Exchange between this country and England is extremely low, only 17½ francs for a Bank of England £1. I shall therefore have as little money as possible sent here. We, however, do not expect to receive any pay for four months. The regiment has been here about a fortnight. It is a miserable small village, not large enough to contain one troop. The remainder, officers and men, are quartered at cottages in the neighbourhood. A pig-sty in England is a palace to my quarters. Hosts of lice, bugs, fleas and filth of every description abound in a most extraordinary degree in all the habitations of these dirty vagabonds. To counteract, however, as much as possible the unpleasant effects of sleeping in such a dirty hut I have pitched my tent and sleep quite comfortably sub Deo, in a green field, totally independent of the above mentioned black backed gentry. The men and women are very plain, with mouths that reach from ear to ear, and are extremely ignorant. It is with great difficulty I can make them understand my wants, as few can speak French, nothing but Flemish is spoken amongst the lower classes. The only answer I can ever obtain is "yaw," in English "yes." To-morrow we are again reviewed, for the fourth time since we landed, by the Earl of Uxbridge, who commands the English cavalry, and on Wednesday this regiment will be inspected by the Prince of Orange and a Prussian General. I assure you we are considered the finest cavalry corps on the Continent. Everyone wishes to see us, and all the Generals, that have reviewed us, speak in the highest possible terms of the excellent appearance and condition of the men and horses. A Russian General expressed the wish to see an English Dragoon Regiment, the Greys were immediately brought forward as a specimen. In fact we have every compliment paid us. A few years ago the regiment behaved most gallantly in this country in several actions, and I think it is probable they will distinguish themselves in this campaign, for I never saw men more anxious for an opportunity. You may perhaps think I speak with partiality, but I assure you what I have expressed is the real matter of fact. We are within about 35 miles of the French Army—a day's march. The English Army will not advance till the Russians, Cossacks, &c., come up. There are a great number of Prussian, Hanoverian and Belgic troops in this neighbourhood. I am sorry to hear Old Blücher has been insulted by some Saxon troops. He is a gallant Old Cock. Whatever the newspapers say of the increasing popularity of the Bourbons, you have no idea how much Bonaparte is adored by the lower orders. There is scarce a house here from which there is not one or two young men serving in the French Army, and the deserters are by no means so numerous as the papers would persuade us. The French are collecting a very large force on the frontiers. At Lisle they have near 40,000 men, at Valenciennes and other places they are also very strong. It is the unanimous opinion of the army that we shall have some very hard fighting before we reach Paris. Much will depend upon the first battle. It is

generally supposed that we shall advance in the course of a week and that hostilities will commence immediately. I trust the next time I write you we shall be on the road to the French capital. I am sorry to say the horse I bought in London has turned out very bad. I shall be obliged to send to England for another. The grey I took from Easton is a very promising horse, but is rather too light for my weight.

I must now bid you adieu. Give my kindest regards to all the family at Cockshut. I would have sent you some intelligence but I assure you we know very little how things go on except from the English papers. Remember me to all enquiring friends. Burn this when read. I expect my Lieutenancy very soon, as there is only one Cornet senior to myself. I shall have eight junior Cornets. Believe me, ever your's, most truly,

F. C. KINCHANT.

I trust you will be able to decipher this scrawl, it is written in a great hurry, and I have not had time to read it over. Pray let me hear from you very soon. Send me all the news of the country.

Direct: Cornet, ... 2nd Dragoons (Scots Greys), with the Duke of Wellington's Army, Netherlands.

To John Rose Hall, Esq., Cockshut-Lydiat, Ludlow, Shropshire.

(Sealed as his letter of March 28th, 1815).

APPENDIX B.

Cornet Francis Charlton Kinchant, and Sergeant Charles Ewart, 2nd (or Royal North British) Dragoons, 'Scots Greys,' at the battle of Waterloo, 18th June, 1815.

The following letter was lent me by Mr. Vivian McLaughlin, in 1910, together with the four letters of Cornet F. C. Kinchant given in Appendix A:—

"July 2nd, 1817.

Dear Sir,

In the course of a short excursion which I was obliged to make last week through the lower part of Lancashire, I met at the Rectory House, Middleton, with Dr. Hardie, a young Scotch physician of considerable eminence in his profession at Manchester, where he practices. The battle of Waterloo being accidentally mentioned, Dr. H. amused myself and the rest of the party after supper with various anecdotes of the gallantry and success of Sergeant Ewart of the 'Scots Greys,' who performed prodigies of valour on that day, and whose good fortune it was to capture one of the three* French Eagles that were taken at the Battle of Waterloo. To a remark made by one of the party that he supposed Ewart must be very proud of the honour of having taken a French Eagle, Dr. H. observed that he always seemed to speak of it with much indifference, and that when once asked the name of the regiment to which the Eagle belonged, he answered with much sang-froid, 'The Invincible,' or the like. The only exploit, Dr. H. observed in continuance, of which Ewart appears to be proud, is the summary revenge which he had an opportunity of taking for the death of Mr. Kinchant, who was the Cornet of his own troop. On being requested to relate the nature of that circumstance, Dr. H. proceeded in nearly the following terms: On the morning of the 18th, a little before 12 o'clock, the 'Scots Greys' were ordered to charge a body of French infantry at some distance, which order they instantly proceeded to execute in a column two deep, Sergeant Ewart in this charge being the front man of Cornet Kinchant. Ewart, on reaching the enemy, immediately singled out a French Officer whom, from being a very expert swordsman, he soon disarmed and was on the point of cutting him down, when Mr. Kinchant, on hearing the Officer cry out: 'Ah, mercy, mercy, Angleterre,' said, 'Sergeant, Sergeant, spare his life and let us take him prisoner.' Ewart considering that moment as a period of slaughter and destruction, and not the proper time for taking prisoners, replied: 'As it is your wish, Sir, it shall be done.' Mr. K., to whom the French Officer had delivered up his sword, addressed him in French and ordered him to move to the rear. Ewart was preparing to proceed in the charge when he heard the report of a pistol behind him, and turning round, from a suspicion of some treachery, the first object which met his eye was Mr. K. falling backwards over his horse apparently in a lifeless state, and the French Officer attempting to hide his pistol under his coat. Indignant at such a dastardly act, Ewart instantly wheeled round, and was again entreated by this villain for mercy in the same supplicating terms as before, the only answer to which he returned was: 'Ask mercy of God, for the de'il a bit will ye get it at my hands,' and with one stroke of his sabre, severed his head from his body, leaving it a lifeless trunk on the field of battle. Ewart, continued Dr. H., feels proud of having avenged the death of this young officer, to whom he was strongly attached, and whose death he never fails to deplore, and for whom he confesses to have more respect than for any other officer under whom he might have served during the 24 years that he had been in the regiment, and what affects him more than all is that after most diligent enquiries, he has never been able to get any information of his friends, and the only knowledge he has of K. is that he was an Englishman. On my mentioning that I had formerly known Mr. K.'s friends and himself, and that I believed they were still living in Herefordshire, an invitation was given to Dr. H. to dine next day at the Rectory, and to bring his friend Ensign Ewart with him, and which he readily promised to do. When I was introduced to him next day as the Gent. who was acquainted

*Two, not three, the second Eagle was taken by 'The Royal Dragoons.'

with Mr. K. and his friends, he appeared to be much pleased, and when he was giving me an account of Mr. K.'s death, he was very much affected at this distant period of time. He mentioned several circumstances respecting Mr. Kinchant which, if I live to see you again, I will relate, but which are of no particular moment, and too long to be inserted here. He requested me to convey to Mr. Kinchant's friends a print of himself returning with the Eagle from the field of battle, and which I consign to the care of the Driver of the Hereford Coach for you, as I do not know the address of Mr. K."

Here the letter ends, it is a very old copy, in the handwriting of a lady. The omission of any address was probably due to the writer being on "a short excursion" (as stated at the beginning of letter); and of any signature—reluctance to sign a copy.

Sergeant Ewart's act of gallantry is set forth in Captain William Siborne's "Waterloo Campaign," as follows:

"Within that mass, was borne the Imperial Eagle of the 45th Regiment, displaying on its banner the names: Austerlitz, Jena, Friedland, Essling, Wagram. Fields on which the regiment had earned the title of 'The Invincibles.' A devoted band encircled the Standard and drew the attention of Sergeant Ewart of the 'Greys.' After a desperate fight, he succeeded in capturing it."

The late Lieut. Colonel J. W. Hozier, 'The Royal Scots Greys,' in his Ms. dated 1903, says:

"Ewart of Kilmarnock, Ayrshire, stood 6ft., was well proportioned, and became an expert swordsman. He was a particular favourite of General R. Balfour, of Balbirnie, having been his orderly in the regiment. Ewart was made Ensign in the 5th Royal Veteran Battalion, 1816. He remained in that Corps until it was reduced in 1821, when he retired on a pension. Ewart left his Waterloo sword to General Balfour's son, whose son presented it to the Officers of the regiment, while I was in command, 1881. It now hangs in the Officers' Mess."

The late Major the Hon. R. H. Lindsay, 'The Royal Scots Greys,' in his letter of 30th January, 1910, writes:

"Ensign Charles Ewart was buried in a small Swedenborgian cemetery at Salford, Manchester. I went there from Aldershot to have his tomb photographed: 'In Memory of Ensign Charles Ewart, who died March 23rd, 1846, Aged 77 years.' This cemetery was subsequently, about 1895, covered over by a railway embankment."

I am indebted to Mr. Walter T. Browne, Chetham's Library, Manchester, for the following information conveyed in his letter of 26th May, 1910:

"The fullest account of Ensign Charles Ewart is to be found in 'The Gentleman's Magazine,' 1846, Vol. 1, p. 651."

"In Bolton grave yard, Salford, is a memorial of this brave man, on Stone No. 202." (The Palatine Note Book, p. 134.)

"On the 23rd March, Aged 77, at Davey Hulme, near Manchester, Mr. Charles Ewart. He was 24 years in the 'Scots Greys.' At the Battle of Waterloo he captured an Eagle. For this distinguished gallantry, he was promoted to a Commission in the Royal Veteran Battalion." (The Stockport Advertiser, 1846.)

"On the 26th August, at her residence, Flixton, in her 73rd year, died Margaret, relict of Ensign Charles Ewart, whom she accompanied in the Waterloo Campaign. She is buried with her husband." (The Stockport Advertiser, 1856.)

"Dr. Henry Hardie was elected Senior Physician at the Manchester Infirmary, 1815." (The Palatine Note Book, Vol. II., p. 106.)

"He lived at Nos. 57 and 64 Piccadilly, Manchester, 1818-20; and at No. 67, 1821-5. (From old directories, in Chetham's Library.) He died 6th October, 1826."

"The Revd. Robert Walker was Rector of Middleton; Inducted 19th February, 1801. Died 28th February, 1818." (The Raines Mss., Vol. II., p. 172.)

"Mr. K.," referred to in letter of "July 2nd, 1817," was the Revd. Francis Kinchant of Easton, Herefordshire. The print is by: "W. & D. Lizars, Edinburgh, taken from an original painting." On its front is written: "From Ensign Charles Ewart to the friends of the late Cornet Kinchant of the Scots Greys." [This print is still in my possession, J.C.K.]

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APPENDIX C.

Errors, which have from time to time appeared in printed references, now corrected :

Park, Salop.

"Who sold the estate to Francis Charlton of Ludford, whose sister brought it by marriage, to John Charlton Kinchant."

The estate was bought by Sir Francis Charlton, Bart., 1717, his daughter brought it by marriage to John Kinchant, not John Charlton Kinchant who was their son.

"John Charlton Kinchant, dying unmarried; and his nephew Francis [Charlton] Kinchant, who was next heir, being killed at Waterloo; the estate passed to the latter's sister."

John Charlton Kinchant died s.p. 1822; F. C. K.'s sister died 1847, but the estate was not disentailed until 1855.

"Richard Henry, his heir," i.e., heir to Richard Kinchant his father.

John and Emma Kinchant had four sons: John Charlton; Francis; Richard; and Job who died in infancy. John Charlton, died s.p. 1832; Francis, died 1823, and his son, Francis Charlton, was killed, 1815; Richard died intestate, 1809; Richard Henry, therefore, succeeded his uncle John Charlton, and not his father Richard.

J. Kinchant.

"John Kinchant lived first at Stone House near Ludlow."

In 1914 I communicated with the representative of the Baugh family, who wrote: "My great grandfather sold Stone House to Lord Powis in 1811. I never heard the name of Kinchant in connection with our old place. Stone House, formerly Aldon Court, has always been regarded as head-quarters of the whole Baugh name."

"John Kinchant died 9th June 1789, Aged 68."

His age is not stated in the Register at Ludford. As his parents were not married until the 31st October, 1724, he could not have been more than 63.

"Richard Kinchant and Myra Catharina Wilkinson were married, 14th May 1802." A foot note adds: "Ancestor of the family of Kinchant of Park Hall."

Her name was Myra Katherine Wilkinson. They were married 28th March 1802.

John Kinchant (172 -1789) was the ancestor, and not Richard who was his youngest son.

"Arms—Az., three lions' heads, erased ar., ducally* crowned or.

Crest—Out of a ducal* coronet or., a demi-lion ar."

*[Spurious.]





